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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: MPOL MMOL NATO GW
SUBJECT: AWACS: FRG DENIES REPORT OF AIRBUS/NIMROD
STUDY

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1. GERMAN OFFICIALS HAVE DENIED THAT A STUDY OF THE POSSIBILITY OF COMBINING THE AIRBUS WITH NIMROD TECHNOLOGY IS UNDER WAY IN THE FRG. THE SUBJECT OF AWACS AROSE DURING A TOUR D'HORIZON OF NATO ISSUES AT THE FOREIGN OFFICE ON AUGUST 9, WHEN EMBOFF INTRODUCED THE EMBASSY'S NEWLY ARRIVED POL/MIL OFFICER AND VISITING SHAPE DEPUTY POLAD TO FOREIGN OFFICE NATO OFFICIALS. A FOREIGN OFFICE OFFICIAL MENTIONED THE HANDELSBLATT REPORT OF AN INTERVIEW WITH FMOD STATE SECRETARY SCHNELL (REFTEL) STATING THAT HE HAD NEVER PREVIOUSLY HEARD OF THE REPORTED AIRBUS/NIMROD STUDY AND HAD IMMEDIATELY CALLED THE FMOD TO REQUEST INFORMATION. AS OF THEN, HE SAID, HE HAD NOT YET RECEIVED AN ANSWER.

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2. OUR FOREIGN OFFICE SOURCE HAS NOW TELEPHONED TO STATE THAT -- WHILE WE HAD NOT INQUIRED -- HE THOUGHT WE MIGHT BE INTERESTED IN KNOWING THAT HE HAD BEEN CATEGORICALLY ASSURED BY THE FMOD THAT THERE WAS NO TRUTH TO THE REPORT OF SUCH A STUDY. HE OFFERED NO EXPLANATION OF HOW HANDELSBLATT HAD ATTRIBUTED SUCH A CLAIM TO SCHNELL BUT SIMPLY

REITERATED THAT DEVELOPMENT OF AN AIRBUS/NIMROD EARLY
WARNING SYSTEM WAS NOT UNDER CONSIDERATION.
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